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ABSTRACT

The cosmetic agent contains from 0.01 to 10 percent by weight of at least one silane of formula R_mSiX_{4-m} , wherein m = 0 to 4, R is a nonhydrolyzable organic group and X is a hydrolysable group, or a salt thereof. The method object of the present invention is the use of at least one silane and/or a salt thereof for improving the condition of hair, particularly in terms of protection, hardening, strengthening, sealing, restructuring, repairing, stabilizing, enhancing the luster, facilitating the combability and shortening the hair-drying time, includes bringing the aforesaid cosmetic agent into contact with the hair for a period of 10 seconds to 60 minutes at a temperature between 20°C and 60°C.